

January 8, 2024

A regular meeting of the Water and Sewer Board of Commissioners was held at 5:30 p.m. in the Village Office. Present were Chairman David O'Hara, Commissioners: Robert Sauer, Andrew Clark, Ryan Dust, and Michelle Kelley. Also, present were Village Clerk Lynnette Carver, Superintendent of Public Works John Heller, Trustee Shawn Prievo, Camden Group President Ken Scherrieble, Publisher of the Queen Central News Doug Cleveland.

Commissioner Kelly made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as written. Comm. Sauer seconded the motion, and it was carried unanimously.

Comm. Dust made a motion to pay all audited water bills on Abstract # 8 in the amount of \$11,940.94 and all audited sewer bills on Abstract # 8 in the amount of \$7,082.40, inclusive of \$1,106.50 in Sewer Plant capital project bills. The motion was seconded by Comm. Clark and carried unanimously.

Camden Group President Ken Scherrieble submitted his report to the Board:

Water:

- ❖ Total Organic Carbon (TOC) samples collected & sent to the lab on 12/7.
- ❖ Total Coliform samples were collected and sent to the lab on 12/14.
- ❖ Routine cleaning of CL-17.
- ❖ Lead and lag chlorine metering pumps integrity inspections, and general cleaning performed weekly; lubrication added as needed.
- ❖ State DOH Report was completed and mailed.
- ❖ General cleaning and maintenance conducted.

Sewer:

- ❖ Composite samples were collected & sent to the lab on 12/7 & 12/14.
- ❖ We continue to complete Covid Surveillance sampling once per week, with samples being sent via UPS on Tuesday afternoons.
- ❖ Raw pump #1 was tripping out a few times during the month. We were able to reset it and have not seen issues in the last seven days of the month.
- ❖ On 12/6, we started chlorination treatment for the filaments, as discussed last month. We used 4 – 55-gallon drums of hypochlorite over the course of 12/6 through 12/15. With one barrel (about 55 gallons) remaining, the DPW helped us transfer it to the Water Treatment Plant for use in disinfection. We also took the empty barrels up to the WTP for return at our next delivery.
- ❖ From 12/18 to 12/20 we operated in wet weather mode, due to heavy rainfall. We adjusted the level of the weir in the splitter box, to slow the flow into the clarifier and worked the rest of the week to slowly bring it back to where it was originally. This helped to control the detention time in the clarifier and protect the quality of the effluent water. Over those 3 days, we brought in over 2 million gallons of flow.
- ❖ Our core sampler (sludge judge) that we use to measure the level of the blanket in the clarifier broke apart. We ordered a new one and purchased new rope to hang it from the pulley in the clarifier.
- ❖ Exercised the generator weekly.
- ❖ Cleaned clarifier trough, skimmer arm and weirs, skimmed out plastics and grease that accumulate daily.
- ❖ Maintain free flowing splitter box, where more rag tangles and plastics accumulate before passing into the clarifier. We scoop this out daily and pull tangles from the poles in the box.
- ❖ Pressed sludge for a total of 11,313 dry pounds.
- ❖ Deep cleaning of clarifier, including the backside and effluent basket.
- ❖ Deep cleaning of headworks, removing all collected rag tangles from the backside of bar screens.
- ❖ Submitted State monthly report.
- ❖ General cleaning and service.
- ❖ Performed Daily/Weekly/Monthly PM on system.

Superintendent of Public Works John Heller reviewed his report with the Board.

Hatech has been consulted due to the lack of completion of contracted work at the sewer plant and the Liberty Street pump station.

Discussion concerning the budgeted chlorination costs at the water plant. Costs have risen around 300%, due largely from inflation. These costs will be budgeted for in the upcoming year.

The Board gave DPW Superintendent Heller the approval to explore pricing of to redo the plumbing at the Liberty Stret pump station and the aerator motor at the Sewer plant.

Comm. Sauer made the motion authorizing Chairman O’Hara to execute the Permit and Release report with NYS Power Authority (#FE-1 38/4,39/2,3097394,3097386) to remove trees on Village water shed properties. These properties are in Florence. (tax map # 91.00-1-25 & 92.000-1-61). NY Power Authority will reimburse the Village \$350.00. Comm. Dust seconded the motion, it carried unanimously.

Comm. Clark made the motion to approve the following transfers for depleted funds:

Water:

Amount:	From:	To:
\$12.00	F001990.40	F008330.40
\$468.00	F001990.40	F008340.40

Sewer:

Amount:	From:	To:
\$3,972.50	G001990.40	G008120.40

Comm. Kelly seconded the motion; it was carried unanimously.

A motion to approve the following was given by Comm. Dust and seconded by Comm. Clark; it carried unanimously:

After being notified of the sewer back up occurring a residence. The Water and Sewer Board declared the sewer lateral collapse of 14 Oswego Street and emergency and gave the homeowner the ability to work under the Villages DOT working permit; to repair the sewer lateral. All expenses are the homeowners’ responsibility.

Monthly financial statements from Treasurer Meagher were reviewed.

As there was no further business to discuss, Comm. Sauer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Comm. Dust and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted.

Lynnette Carver
Village Clerk